

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A patch₁ comprising:

a backing layer; and

an adhesive layer disposed on the backing layer, the adhesive layer comprising and compounded with a drug and an adhesive base agent, ~~wherein the adhesive base agent comprises~~ comprising

a styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer,

2-ethylhexyl acrylate – vinyl acetate copolymer, wherein the weight ratio of the content of the styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer to 2-ethylhexyl acrylate – vinyl acetate copolymer is from 1:1 to 9:1, and

a basic nitrogen-including polymer ~~including~~ comprising a basic nitrogen and having no adhesion ~~property~~ properties at normal temperature, the basic nitrogen-including polymer being selected from the group consisting of methyl methacrylate – butyl methacrylate – dimethylaminoethyl methacrylate terpolymer₁ and polyvinyl acetal diethylamino acetate, and

an organic acid selected from the group consisting of acetic acid,

~~sodium acetate and citric acid and wherein the weight ratio of the content of the styrene isoprene styrene block copolymer to 2 ethylhexyl acrylate vinyl acetate copolymer is from 1:1 to 9:1.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously presented) The patch according to claim 1, wherein solubility of the drug with respect to water is 1% or less.

4. (Currently amended) The patch according to claim[[s]] 1 or 3, wherein the drug is at least one member selected from the group consisting of pergolide, pergolide mesylate, nifedipine, nitrendipine and indomethacin.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently amended) The patch according to any one of claims 1 and ~~3-53-4~~, wherein the adhesive layer further comprises an alicyclic saturated hydrocarbon-based tackifier.

7. (Canceled).